

SURFWATCH UPDATE

Crime Prevention Workshop:

The next Town of Surfside Crime Prevention Workshop will be held on Wednesday, November 10, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. The 45 minute workshop will be held at the Surfside Municipal Building, located at 9293 Harding Avenue, in the 2nd Floor Training Room. Complimentary coffee and refreshments will be provided.

The workshop will focus on increasing our personal safety during the upcoming holiday season. Topics will include crime prevention strategies, as well as the need to develop a heightened awareness of our immediate surroundings to avoid potential victimization.

For more information on available SurfWatch programs, or for a free residential and commercial survey, please contact Lieutenant John Madden or Lieutenant Shawn P. O'Reilly at 305-861-4862. Our e-mail address is : Surfside pd@the-beach.net Please visit our website at: www.town.surfside.fl.us

PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS

The Surfside Police Department would like to remind our residents to be safety-conscious during this holiday season. Like Ben Franklin said, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

- If you are planning to go on vacation or leave your home unoccupied for more than a day, contact the Surfside Police Department and ask that a Watch Order be placed on your home. Inform your neighbors that you will be away and ask that if they see anyone suspicious around your home, to call the police.

- Always secure your home while you are away. Lock all doors and windows. Stop newspaper delivery and ask your neighbors to collect your mail.

- Always lock your vehicles, even if they are parked in your driveway. An unlocked door is an invitation for a burglar.

CODE COMPLIANCE TIPS

The Town of Surfside prides itself in providing residential garbage and trash collection six days per week, Monday through Saturday.

In order to maintain a clean and attractive environment for everyone, please refrain from placing garbage and trash at curbside until the evening prior to the scheduled collection day.

All grass cuttings and hedge trimmings must be placed in plastic bags and securely tied before setting them out at curbside for collection.

All grass cuttings must be completely removed and cleaned from all paved areas, and shall not be blown or swept into streets, sidewalks or gutters.

The use of blowers is absolutely prohibited.

Commercial gardeners must either bag all cuttings and trimmings, or promptly remove them from the Town.



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Happy Thanksgiving To All

FROM THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Surfsiders,

Sixty residents from Bay Harbor, Bal Harbor and Surfside participated together in the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Race for the Cure, which took place Saturday, October 16, at Bayfront Park in downtown Miami. "Team Bal/Bay/Surf" included 40 adults and

20 children who participated in the 5K Race/Walk and Tot Race.

Team members wore T-shirts reading "Three Towns" on the front, and "Bal/Bay/Surf" on the back.

A total of \$1,500 was raised in support of this worthy cause. The event allowed the participants to show support for women and families touched by breast cancer, and increased awareness of the disease in the general community. Thank you

to all walk participants and sponsors of the event. Special thanks to Dana Kulvin and Myra Spindell who organized this great show of unity, concern and determination to find a cure.

Tim Will

Your Mayor

surfside@bellsouth.net

COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2004 AT 8:00 PM

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SURFSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT(305) 861-4862

EMERGENCY ONLY
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AN OPEN LETTER TO SURFSIDE RESIDENTS

Dear Fellow Residents:

As your neighbor for over twenty years, and as an elected town official, I am concerned regarding recent, critical material which may have been delivered to your home.

The fact is, the Town of Surfside has been praised and recognized throughout the State for its leadership and superlative level of community service. Our accomplishments are numerous and a source of pride for all of our residents. Taxes have been held steady, and our police department should be commended for their outstanding crime prevention efforts. We have successfully fought overdevelopment and continuously dedicate ourselves to enriching our children's education. I, as many of you, choose to live in Surfside because it is a community where we can raise our families in a safe and secure environment.

Since the day we were sworn in, the primary goal of this commission has been to actively listen to the concerns of the residents of Surfside. Our commitment to our constituency is unfailing, and in order to serve you better we have responded to your concerns by incorporating a number of improvements which include the hiring of a full-time building official, and the hiring of a recreational superintendent. We have created more activities for our children and adults, and built the Water Park. We have installed traffic controlling devices to slow down speeders through our neighborhood, and begun the first phase of the DERM sponsored, beautification project on the beach, incurring no cost to the Town of Surfside or its residents.

The community has come together and celebrated the following activities:

the sea oats planting, the adopt-a-tree program in conjunction with DERM, Family Fun Days, Fourth of July holiday festivities, and Drug Awareness Day.

We are trying our very best, and there is a lot of work to be done. I encourage you to get involved in our town. Surfside is a unique community. The only way we are going to keep it that way is through the mutually cooperative efforts of our town leadership and residents.

I shall keep you informed. Thank you for reading my message.

Sincerely,

Orestes J. Jimenez
Commissioner

Veterans’ Day: The Whole Town Is Invited Mayor Tim Will, Surfside Police Chief Lawrence Boemler, officers of the various branches of the United States Military, and residents from our community will join on the morning of Veterans’ Day to salute all Surfside resident veterans and our great nation.

On Thursday, November 11, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. sharp in Veterans' Park, Mayor Will shall lead a program that includes the Cub Scouts, Color Guards from Junior ROTC programs, and recognition of Surfside resident veterans of America's armed forces. Refreshments will be served following the ceremonies. In the case of rain, the event shall be moved indoors to the Surfside Community Center.

SURFSIDE COMMISSION HIGHLIGHTS

The Town Manager reported that the installation of the new fence, behind the Community Center, started last weekend. The completion of this project is approximately one week.

The Town Manager reported that the Administration, and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, are working on a plan to renovate the Community Center. This plan will include the building of the new library and the creation of a "passive" park next to the Community Center. The Town Manager explained that he will have more details to report on at the next Commission Meeting.

The Town Manager reported on the Town's website. He explained that we are working on improving the site by adding more information, such as posting the agendas of all Town Meetings, the ability to download forms, an archive of past editions of the Town Gazette, and much more.

The Town Manager reported on the issue of changing the parking meters. He explained that Chief Boemler and Lt. O'Reilly have done detailed research regarding this matter. Chief Boemler presented various options and the cost effec-

tiveness was discussed. Additional information will be presented at the next Commission Meeting.

The Town Manager asked Chief Boemler to report on the burglaries in Town. The Chief explained that this year the number of burglaries has been reduced substantially, less than 50, as compared to several years ago, when the average was about 150 per year. Lt. O'Reilly discussed the need for continued community support and involvement in the Town's crime prevention programs.

The Town Manager reported that the Police Department will be leasing two motorcycles. Lt. O'Reilly explained that in order for a Police Officer to be able to operate a motorcycle, they must go though an extensive 80 hour course. The motorcycles should be on the road by the beginning of the year.

Town Manager explained that an audit of all legal fees for the past five years was conducted by the Town Auditor, Mrs. Alyce M. Jones. This presentation occurred at the end of the Commission Meeting.

Surfside Tennis Center:

8750 Collins Avenue • Surfside, FL 33154

<u>Adult Group Classes</u> (ongoing)	
<u>Beginners:</u>	
Monday	7:30 pm – 8:30 pm
<u>Intermediate:</u>	
Wednesday	7:30 pm – 8:30 pm
<u>Adult Competition</u>	
(Start Date - November 4th)	
Thursday	8:00 pm – 9:30 pm
<u>Adult Competition</u>	
(Start Date - November 7th)	
Intermediate Sunday	10:00 am - Noon
<u>Junior Group Classes</u> (ongoing)	
Tuesday	5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
6-8 years old Saturday	10:00 am – 11:00 am
<u>Tiny Tot Group Class</u> Saturday	8:30 am – 9:30 am

For more information regarding the tennis programs, please contact Margaret Buchignani, Head Tennis Professional at (305) 866-5176.

Surf-Bal-Bay Library:

Fall & Winter Hours	
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat	10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday	1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thursday & Sunday	Closed

Story Time at the Surf-Bal-Bay Library
Ages 4 & under welcome (parents and grand-parents too)
Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday 10:00 am – 11:00 am
For more information call 305-861-4317 or 305-868-4082

For your reading pleasure...New books at the Library:
Northern Lights by Nora Roberts
Light on Snow by Anita Shreve
My Life by Bill Clinton

Surfside Garden Club:

Meeting: Tuesday, November 30, 2004
at 11:00 am Surfside Community Center

The featured Guest Speaker will be Jacqueline Gibson, from the University of Florida, Institute of Food & Agricultural Sciences, who will be discussing vitally important, current issues in the health field. **New Members Welcome!**
For more information, please call Ruth Roney at 305-672-4032

RECREATION NEWS

Surfside Community Center Fall & Winter Hours of Operation October through February

Community Pool Hours
7 Days a week
9:00 am - 5:00 pm



Game Room Hours
Friday 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Recreation Department Fall Programs

Adult Classes:
Yoga:
(\$40 per person 8 weeks = 8 classes)
Enjoy invigorating and relaxing yoga classes while engaging in techniques that benefit your mind, body, and spirit. You will learn proper breathing exercises and relaxation methods long associated with this proven ancient tradition. Please bring your own exercise mat.

Monday (Session 1)
Oct. 4 – Nov 22 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Monday (Session 2)
Nov 29 – Jan 17 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Pilates:
(\$40 per person 8 weeks = 8 classes)
Pilates focuses on core strengthening (abdominals) and helps reshape the body by creating long, lean muscles. It also helps to strengthen the back muscles and increase flexibility. Please bring your own exercise mat.

Tuesday (Session 2)
Oct 26 – Dec 14 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Wednesday (Session 1)
Oct 6 – Nov 24 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Wednesday (Session 2)
Dec 1 – Jan 19 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Kids Classes:
Gymnastics:
(\$45 per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)
Come join our gymnastics program taught by certified instructors. Through praise, encouragement, and skillful attention, your child will be taught the sport of gymnastics.

Wednesday (Session 2)
Oct 20 – Dec 8
Ages: 3-5 • 2:30 pm - 3:25 pm
Ages: 4-6 • 3:30 pm - 4:25 pm
Ages: 7-up • 4:30 pm - 5:25 pm

Acrobatics and Tumbling:
(\$45 per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)
Boys and girls, age 11 and up, are invited to join our tumbling and acrobatics class taught by certified instructors. Learn the basics of both tumbling and acrobatics.

Wednesday (Session 2)
Oct 20 - Dec 8
Ages: 11-up • 5:30 pm. - 6:30 pm

Learn To Swim:
(\$40 per child 6 weeks = 24 classes)
Monday through Thursday
Oct 11 - Nov 18

Toddler Water Readiness
Ages: 1^{1/2} - 3 • 3:15 pm - 3:45 pm

Develop in young children a high comfort level of being in and around the water as well as a readiness to learn how to swim.

Preschool Swim Lessons
Ages: 3 - 5 • 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Preschool age children will learn water adjustment, how to breathe properly, floating, and basic arm and leg movements.

Beginner Swim Lessons
Ages: 6 - up • 4:45 pm - 5:15 pm
Learn the basic principles of swimming. Personal safety is stressed throughout the course.

Arts & Crafts:
(\$40 per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)
Join the fun with this instructional Arts & Crafts program for kids. Children will learn how to create fun filled projects of all types. Classes taught by certified teachers.

Saturday (Session 2) Oct 23 - Dec 11
Ages: 3 - 5 • 9:30 am - 10:30 am
Ages: 6 - up • 10:45 am - 11:45 am

Tuesday (Session 1)
Oct 26 - Dec 14
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Ages: 4 - 8

Adult Education Classes:

Yoga
Tuesday 9:00 am – 11:00 am
Ages Adults

Thursday 9:00 am – 11:00 am
Ages 55 & over

Water Aerobics
Wednesday 10:00 am – 11:00 am
Ages Adults

*Conversational Spanish 1
Wednesday Noon - 1:30 pm
Ages Adults

*Conversational Spanish 2&3
Wednesday 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Ages Adults

Oil Painting/Drawing
Thursday 10:00 am - 12:30 pm
Ages Adults
Thursday 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Ages 55 and over

Current Events/
Adult Life Stages
Thursday 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Ages 55 and over

** All adult education classes are free, except Spanish classes. The fees for Spanish classes are \$48.00 per class.*

If you are interested in any of the above please call the Recreation Department at 305-866-3635.

